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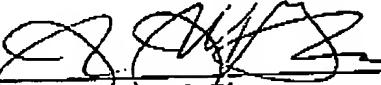
RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 USC § 121

Applicant hereby elects Invention I with claims 1 - 9, 28 and 29 drawn to a ball-and-socket joint. Applicant further elects Species 1 shown in Figures 11 - 13. Applicant notes that claims 1, 2, 7 and 8 are sub-generic as they are readable on Species 1, 2 and 3. Claims 1 - 4, 7 and 8 are readable on the elected species.

Favorable action on the merits is requested.

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